

TOWN OF HOPKINTON 18 Main Street Hopkinton, MA 01748

COVID-19 Updates & Precautions July 6, 2020 update

Previous updates and additional information and resources can be found here:

https://coronavirus-hopkintonma.hub.arcgis.com/

While Town Hall and municipal buildings are physically closed to the public, <u>we are open for business</u>. Many transactions can be completed online, and we are available via phone and email to assist during regular business hours. A full Town Directory can be <u>found here</u>. A box at the front door of Town Hall may be used to drop off correspondence, applications, etc., and they may also be mailed or emailed. As we work on plans to reopen Town Hall and other municipal buildings, we are prioritizing efforts to keep the community safe and help our local businesses reopen.

As of 7/3/20, Hopkinton's Health Department is reporting 133 total confirmed COVID-19 cases; 9 of those cases are active, with 111 recoveries and 13 deaths. You can see historical tracking and updates on Hopkinton's Community Impact Dashboard

Baker-Polito Administration Initiates Transition to Third Phase of Four-Phase Approach:

Consistent with Public Health Data and Trends, Phase III of Reopening Massachusetts began today, Monday July 6. The following businesses will be eligible to reopen in Step One of Phase III, subject to industry-specific rules concerning capacity and operations:

- Movie theaters and outdoor performance venues;
- Museums, cultural and historical sites;
- Fitness centers and health clubs:
- Certain indoor recreational activities with low potential for contact;
- Professional sports teams, under the authority of league-wide rules, may hold games without spectators

Full guidance and list of businesses eligible to reopen in Step One of Phase III can be found at www.mass.gov/reopening. Businesses and sectors set to begin opening in Phase III are subject to compliance with all mandatory safety standards. Click here to read the full Phase 3 Press Release.

Parks and Recreation Playground Group starts July 6th at Center School:

Per the Hopkinton Board of Health, while Playground Group is in progress, the Center School Playground is closed to the general public. Playground Group runs Monday thru Friday from 8:00am-5:30pm through August 7th. Click here for more information on Hopkinton P&R Playground Group.

Fire Department Inspections:

Beginning Tuesday, July 7th the Hopkinton Fire Department shall resume scheduling and conducting home smoke and carbon monoxide inspections required by M.G.L Chapter 148 Section 26F and 26F ½. Those inspections deferred under Governor Baker's COVID-19 Order No. 12 will have 90 days from the rescind date, July 10, 2020 to have their inspection completed. For your family's safety, and those of our Inspectors, increased precautions shall be taken while conducting home inspections and will be explained upon scheduling your appointment. Please click here for a guide to selling your home in Hopkinton. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Health Department Inspections:

The Hopkinton Health Department intends to resume the inspection of permitted establishments on July 7, 2020. The Department will screen the person in charge before entry. The inspections will be shorter in duration than before. The report will be digital and emailed to the person in charge upon completion.

Library To Begin Accepting Returns, Beginning Curbside Pickup:

The book drop will be open for returns from 9:30-4:30 weekdays beginning Monday, July 6. <u>Please do NOT leave returns outside the library when the book drop is closed. They may be lost or damaged and you will be responsible for the resulting replacement fees. Click here for more information about returning your <u>materials.</u> There is no rush to return your books - late fees are not being assessed.</u>

Today (Monday July 6th) we launched curbside pickup for patrons with new holds requests! <u>Click here for full information about our curbside pickup service, including instructions on finding items and placing holds.</u>

Hopkinton also posts frequently on social media. Our Twitter is the best place to keep up with all happenings Hopkinton. You don't need an account to see our twitter feed: https://twitter.com/HopkintonMA

Complete list of Emergency Orders and Guidance from Mass.gov https://www.mass.gov/info-details/covid-19-state-of-emergency
